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UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA OPERA WORKSHOP
TO GIVE CONCERT ON SUNDAY, NOV. 2, AT UM

MISSOULA--

Esther England, a voice instructor in the University of Montana Department of Music, will direct a program entitled "The Opera Workshop in Concert" Sunday, Nov. 2, at UM. England is director of the UM Opera Workshop. The workshop members will be accompanied on the piano Sunday by Jan Halmes, assistant director of the UM Opera Workshop.

Sunday's concert will be in the UM Music Recital Hall at 8 p.m. The performance is open to the public without charge under the sponsorship of the UM School of Fine Arts and Department of Music.

Members of the Opera Workshop, a recognized major ensemble in the music department, will perform pieces from six major operas. Only specific movements from the operas are to be performed.

"This is a major concert, with exalted, extremely difficult music, chosen to 'show-off' the voices, rather than acting," England said. "All of the pieces are very difficult, and are the most beautiful of opera repertoire.

"All the pieces will be sung in their original languages, for the first time in the 30-year history of the opera workshop: German, Italian, French, and English," England said.

"Martha," by Flotow will feature Mary Logan, Moses Lake, Wash.; Mary McClain, Great Falls; and Timothy Campbell and Kim Simmons, both of Missoula. "Der Rosenkavalier," by Richard Strauss includes Jacqueline Putnam, Billings; Kathleen Lane, Spokane, Wash., and Logan. "The Pearl Fishers" by Bizet features James DeJarnette, Carmichael, Calif., and Campbell.

Beethoven's "Fidelio" will be performed by Terry Larsen of Fort Benton, and Logan, Putnam and DeJarnette.

"Madame Butterfly," by Puccini will include Cathy Piasecki, West Allis, Wis., Mary McClain and the workshop ensemble. Bizet's "Carmen " is to include Sue Stanaway, Billings; Sue Muldowney, Santa Barbara, Calif.; Timothy LaMange, Cedar Springs, Mich.; Dale Matuska, Missoula; Lane and the workshop ensemble.

Additional Montana members of the workshop ensemble are, in alphabetical order by hometowns, Janine Belhumeur and Bradford Kuenning, Great Falls, Mike McGill, Stevensville, and Kathleen Gottfried, Sweet Grass.

Ensemble members from outside Montana, not mentioned before, are Paula Krakowsky, formerly a student of the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y., Peggy Morrison, Eugene, Ore., and Debbie Jones of Illinois, a guest of the workshop.